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[Despatch Abstract.]

Industries - Manufacture of Glandular products - Proposals dropped.

INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

From

The Director of Industries and Commerce,
Madras.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Development Department,
Fort St. George, MADRAS.

No.385/G3/48 dated 19th March 1948.

Sir,

Sub:- Industries - Drugs - Glandular products - Manufacture of

Ref:- Government Memo.6946 P&D II/47-4 dated 21-11-1947.

I enclose a copy of a letter from the Andhra Pharmaceutical Works Limited, Bezwada which more or less fully covers all the points involved and with most of the contents of which I agree. Curiously enough I had been looking into the question informally when I was working in the Central Planning and Development Department and that department had regretfully to come to the conclusion that it would not be an economic proposition to produce in the Adrenalin, Pitutrin and Thyroid extracts from the glands themselves for the following reasons.

(i) In India where a large part of the population are vegitarians or eat mostly vegitarian food, the supply of glands will not be quite adequate and will cost more for economic production to be attempted. The present costs of glands, are very high and it is doubtful whether they can be reduced appreciably.

(ii) They synthetic products can be produced cheaper and when the intermediary products become easily available there will be no future for production from the glands themselves.

(iii) While no doubt Adrenalin is used extensively pitutrin and Thyroid are not required in such quantities as to justify production at high cost in India.

(iv) It would be unreasonable to expect the population to pay

for these glandular products at high cost, by shutting out imports and compelling it to use only the Indian made product. Protection would involve the imposition of abnormally heavy tariff and cannot really be justified.

(v) In any case, unless production is undertaken for the country as a whole and the materials of all slaughter houses in the country are tapped, it will not be an economical proposition. This means that production should be undertaken under the aegis of the Central Government. In my opinion there is room only for one economic production unit, using glands themselves as raw materials in the country.

2. For the above reasons, I suggest that the question be dropped for the present and the Government of India urged later when conditions are more favourable to set up a central unit in an area where a very large number of animals are slaughtered. I feel that the Province of Madras where non vegetarians are not very many would be a poor location for the unit

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For Director of Industries and Commerce.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Abstract.

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Read the following
From the Surgeon General No.In.P.230-H dated 1-10-1947.
From the Director of Industries and Commerce No.385/G.3/48 dated 19-3-1948.

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In the circumstances reported by the Director of Industries and Commerce in his letter read above the proposal will be dropped for the present.

By order of His Excellency the Governor

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Secretary to Government.

To the Surgeon General with the Government of Madras.
To the Director of Industries and Commerce, Madras.

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Superintendent,
Madras Record Office.